

**FACILITATING COORDINATION IN AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION - District 1
February 2021 – Summary of Activities - John Heiser**

I. ON SITE ASSISTANCE – SCHOOLS -16 College-0 COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS - 3 Virtual *

SCHOOLS – Cambridge*, Chadwick- Milledgeville, Dixon*, Durand*, Eastland*, Kewanee, Knoxville*, LaMoille*, Orangeville*, Oregon*, Orion*, Polo, Rochelle, Stark County*, Stillman Valley, West Carroll*
COUNTY PARTNERSHIPS – Ogle/ Carroll*, Peoria*, Warren*

II. PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROVIDED –7 PARTICIPANTS – 21

Welding SMAW Welding Joint, First Year Teachers, Sterling-2
Welding GMAW Welding, Setup and Running Beads, First Year Teachers, Annawan-2
*Lesson Study GAST Project with the University of Illinois, Natural Resources Ag Teachers(x2)-6
*Lesson Study GAST Project with the University of Illinois, Ag Mechanics Ag Teachers (x2)-8
*Lesson Study GAST Project with the University of Illinois, Intro to Ag AgTeachers-3

III. MEETINGS/CONVENTIONS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED – 26

*60 x 25 Conference: Professional Development: Exploring Strategies for Educators to Advance Racial Equity, Implementing Team-Based Challenges, Workshop on Strengthening Collaborative Data Capacity-3
*Ag Ed State Staff Weekly Meeting-3
*Cengage: Professional Development: Online Inclusivity: Inspiring Learning for ALL Students
*EFE 320 Board Meeting
*EFE 300 Board Meeting
*FCAE Staff Meeting-2
*FCAE Course Outline Meeting-3
*ILCAE Meeting
*District Agriscience Fair Planning Meeting
IAVAT Section 1 Winter Meeting, Eastland High School, Lanark
*IAVAT Advocacy Committee Meeting
*IAVAT Special Projects Meeting-2
*PaCE Webinar: Implementation Leader Training
*PAS Judging: Ag Ed Presentation and Prepared Speeches
*ROE Professional Development: On Receiving Feedback
*State AITC Coordinator Meeting
*Sauk Valley Ag Pathway Meeting
*Sauk Valley College and Career Readiness Summit
*Soil Health Academy Meeting

IV. MILES TRAVELED – Auto: 331 miles

V. OTHER ACTIVITIES - 14

Wrote and Sent Email messages
Planning for District 1 Ag Ed CDEs
Prepared for Meetings
*Hosted District 1 Ag Ed CDE
Helped Teachers and Administrators with Corrections to 3 Circle Grants
Completed Monthly Reports
Assisted Teachers with AET Questions
Observed Ag Ed Student Teachers: Lexi Meurer, Alec Wetzell, Macy Valle
*Section 3 Proficiency Awards
Worked on Updates to course outlines.
Assist Teachers with Questions about Degrees and Proficiency Reports
Assisted Teachers with GATA Report Questions

VI. COMMENTARY

It was exciting to see the five students' lesson presentations for District 1 Ag Ed CDE. I also enjoyed visiting with three student teachers this month and learning about what motivates them to be an agriculture teacher. It was an honor to be part of the Golden Owl presentation to Mrs. Callahan.